

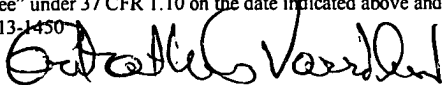
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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

Joseph William Lowry and Eustathios Vassiliou

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CONFIRMATION NO. 1379

GROUP ART UNIT: 3676

SERIAL NUMBER: 10/729,311

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EXAMINER OF APPLICATION:

Lugo, Carlos

FOR: Spring Fastener Having Multifunctional Barbs
of Various Lengths

Commissioner for Patents
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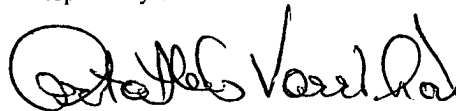
AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Office Action dated 07/15/2004, reconsideration of the application in view of the following remarks is respectfully requested.

In summary, it is considered that each issue raised in the outstanding Office Action has been directly answered, and reconsideration is respectfully requested. All claims of the present application are considered to be in condition for allowance and a notice to this effect is earnestly solicited.

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